

## A black and white profile photograph of a man, likely a politician, wearing a suit and tie. The image is grainy and high-contrast, with the man's face in profile facing right. He has dark hair and is wearing a light-colored shirt and a dark tie. The background is dark and textured.

the United States Army than that of one of the biggest men in the old country."

Now assigned to Headquarters, Reception, Section 1, and on duty as chief classification specialist at Post Headquarters, 8 1/2 miles from the Fifth Division in World War I. He was wounded and gassed at Verdun and, in addition to the Purple Heart, was awarded the Purple Medal with four stars, indicating as many major battles.

The 45-year-old sergeant, a native of Jinnana, Greece, came to America in 1915 and enlisted in the Army two years later, after America entered the war. He was assigned to a man in the old country and the sergeant remembers that, when he was 13, the Greek King George was crowned then the crown prince, stayed at their home while on a visit to their district.

Before he was assigned to help organize the Reception Center, Fortio had been stationed here for 11 years with the 29th Infantry.

His countryman stated that many of the present high-

## Stab Wounds Fatal to Soldier

igned to Company G, 66th Infantry, 1st Division, died in Fort Belvoir, Ill., last night after a two-day stay of knife wounds sustained during an altercation with an unidentified listed man.

The case is being investigated by the Post and Division Military Police who announced that one suspect in the matter is being held for further questioning. A board of officers was appointed to investigate the case.

Mr. Mussetter was the son of Mr. and Mrs. John J. Mussetter of 121 S. Adams St., Chicago. He was 21 years old. He was shipped to Gathingsburg, Md., last night.

Courier H. H. Hodge, commander of the Third Army, said:

**The Invasion and**  
*A Message from*

The long-awaited invasion at last long is under way. With its arrival we and our own days of our history.

Our gallant soldiers overseas have been charged with the task of breaching the Atlantic. Indeed heavy, but ours on the

Freeman, Ziegler, a para-grade junior, and a para-grade senior, were sent from the mainland duty in the South Pacific, believes in answering his mail promptly—at whatever cost.

When the soldier from East Tallahassee, Ala., received 73 letters at mail call the third day, he decided to devote his Sunday off to the task of answering them.

The conscientious corporal arose at dawn on the Sunday and started writing. He doesn't remember how many times he refilled his pen or anything else about the day, except that he did take a half hour off for lunch. Promptly at 10 p. m. he staggered into his quarters, exhausted and loaded down with 73 letters.

"I just answered 'em as I read 'em," Ziegler explained, "simply rubbing his right arm."

The 73 letters to Ziegler, now assigned to The Parachute Battalion, fell like rain across the continent, thence to the South Pacific—and all the way back to Fort Benning.

He must divert our attention which have been assigned to us.

We feel it appropriate

Fort Benning, men, women carefully and put into a program suggested by Capt. of the Fort Benning Ordnance by Maj. Gen. Frederick E. the Fourth Service Command

1. Continue to perform
2. Maintain a pace v during the hard fight ahead.
3. Stay on the job, minimum.
4. Omit unnecessary costly mistakes.
5. Be careful to avoid
6. Do not pay attention information of interest (announced officially).
7. Be calm, be brave, be for an early victory.
8. Carry on a man fighting men at the front a the Axis.
9. Back the attack!

the WHOLE WAR PROGRAM

WM. H. Brien

Army Ground Forces has given the 17th Airborne Division authority to train paratroopers at Camp Forrest, Tenn., under the supervision of the Commandant of The Parachute School, at Fort Benning.

This authority was granted for the purpose of expediting jump training for personnel of the Division and in order that interruption of other training of the division will be held at a minimum.

The course of instruction will be

Infantry Regiment, and formerly assistant Infantry Regiment, and formerly assistant commandant of the Parachute School at Fort Benning.

Paratroopers, including both officers and enlisted men, are being drawn from all units in the division except the paratroopers already qualified. Upon "graduation," these men will be assigned to the various units to be entitled to wear the coveted paratroopers' wings.

The course is divided into four phases: 1. Physical hardening and introduction to tumbling, jump technique and parachute pack; 2. Parachute pack manipulation, harness adjustment and continued training in jump technique; 3. Parachute pack manipulation, harness training via cable from 35 foot tower; and 4. A minimum of five jumps from an airplane.

Electric power conservation is a major consideration in the new direction during the week ending June 3 when a net savings of 100,000 kilowatt hours was achieved. Edward L. Littleton, Post Engineer, said the power conservation program was the result of the following:

Col. Littleton declared himself gratified with last week's results after the program was completed. "The week ending week with the post standing at that time on 3 per cent better off than at the same point of the campaign of May 6."

The conservation officer said that the week several of the organizations were inspected and declared that the results showed that the post was doing a good job. "The organizations are doing 'an excellent job.'"

**BREAK-DOWN FIGURES**

Last week the Main Post consumed 1,000,000 kilowatt hours, the cut at the power plants remained static; Harmony Church consumed 100,000 kilowatt hours; Sand Hill, 60 per cent, while the

patting in a ground training problem in Fort Benning's Alabama area, the Parachute School announced. Miss Dorothy Ruth West of Van, Texas, the soldier's sister, was notified as next of kin.

**REMINDES HELPFUL**

In the event that any unnecessary lights and fans are found in operation, it was suggested that printing a "no light-skip, be left on the person's desk to read in effect:

"Knowing that you desire to lead full cooperation to the year-round campaign to reduce the consumption of electric power here at Fort Benning and the liberty was taken to cut off your lights (fans) while you were out to lunch today. While the absence of your official lights for any length of time during which lights and fans are unnecessary, won't you please 'smile' and say 'no' to the waste."

If it is desired, these mimeographed forms will be furnished by the Post Engineer insofar as possible.

work operations and avoid accidents. (All authorization to rumors.)

concern to you will be answered cheerfully, and work and pay matter which will encourage our and which also will discourage buy war bonds, and support I AM!"

TORSON,

General U. S. A., Commanding

Rules for sales of state-tax-free cigarettes to civilians by the Post Benning Exchange must be rigidly enforced, and the rules were outlined in a memorandum issued today at Fort Benning.

The Exchange will sell state-tax-free cigarettes only to regular employees of the Exchange; bona-fide dependents of military personnel; those civilians who live on the reservation and who are regularly employed on the post.

Further, the memorandum called attention to the fact that the Exchange can sell only one carton of cigarettes at any one time to

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Demonstrating the fact that the Army is working as a team with the Navy and other branches of the service in the prosecution of the war, Fort Benning has secured permission from the War Finance Committee of the Treasury Department to devote "not less than \$700,000" of the money taken in here in the cash sale of war bonds during the Fifth War Loan drive for the purchase of an LCI (landing craft, infantry). Captain Thomas M. Robinson, post war bond officer, and

authorizing the purchase of the landing craft. Charles A. Stair, Georgia state chairman of the War Relocation Committee, approved for the committee the sale of E, F, and G bonds for the purpose of purchasing the landing craft. The Benning campaign will continue through July 31.

Meanwhile, the announcement made by the Treasury Department and carried by the Associated Press that a new G.I. \$10 bond was being issued, created a great deal of interest on the part. Although no official announcement had been received at press time by War Bond officials related to the new war bond, the A. P. story

Meanwhile, Captain Robinson said that plans are going ahead for the fleet to be based in the Atlantic and purchased at Fort Benning during the drive to some member of the fighting forces. The names of the ships being printed for those buying bonds, and at the same time a handsome bonus will be given to those being inscribed the name of every person buying a bond for cash together with the name of the ship or woman to whom it is dedicated.

The War Bond office also announced that the drive on the part of the fleet will be in the form of the following:

1. The fleet will be composed of 100 ships during the pre-invasion rehearsals in England. Paratroopers will be sent to the fleet in one method of diverting the Nazis inside the Atlantic wall while the airborne troops created a beachhead.

2. The fleet will be composed of their optimistic reports on moments D-Day. School personnel poured over maps, followed by the paratroopers. Benning trained troops as they fought the way deeper into the heart of the enemy's defenses. The interest to the School was the communique from Allied Headquarters, "Casualties during the invasion of the paratroopers were light."

**By PFC. AL G. SMITH**  
- Capt. H. A. Ziegler mops his brow these hot June days and dreams of the 50-foot snowdrifts and 54-degrees-below-zero weather he encountered in Alaska—but he isn't anxious to do any more railroading up there.

Grande, but railroading in Alaska is out of this world, believe me," says the captain.

From September, 1942, to May 1943, as a lieutenant in the 70th Railway Operating Battalion, he was in charge of the 100-mile, narrow-gauge White Horse and Yukon Route railroad from Skagway, terminal of the Chena River, to White Horse, high in the mountains of Yukon Territory. Skagway is at sea level while White Horse is 10,000 feet above sea level.

"Our job was to deliver gas, oil, and other supplies and equipment to the soldiers and the engineers working on the Alaskan

more than one train a day and that only during the summer months," says the captain.

**10 TRAINS PER DAY**

"When we told them our goal was ten trains a day and that the soldiers would be in the round, they just laughed and said it couldn't be done. Sometimes during the winter months, when the trains stalled all up and down the line, we wondered if they weren't right. But we kept on working and the trains piled up through to the soldiers at White Horse.

The little scenic railroad" the captain says was inadequate for the

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nations, grant to all thy guidance and help that they may seek to promote the welfare of all mankind. Grant that in this hour of stress and struggle we may have courage and confidence, that we might fight and plan for the liberation of all peoples from tyranny and oppression. Give us a right spirit and attitude that we may be calm, brave, and cheerful and work and pray for an early victory and a lasting peace. May we dedicate ourselves to the purpose that all men shall be free and that righteousness and truth may reign to the ends of the earth. Amen.

—FRED L. FOLLOCK,  
Mayor, Chaplains' Gorge.

# Beware Jap Peace Move On The Day Germany Falls, Writer Warns U. S.

BY MAJOR ALVIN E. BELDEN

Part II

When the United Nations gain victory, how can they deal with Japan? If Japan should be defeated, internal collapse will be complete. What kind of order can be established? A discouraged, disillusioned, deceived, misguided, embittered people will be utterly bewildered by the reality of their own vulnerability. They are more apt to rally behind their aristocracy and the Divine Emperor. He alone is blameless. But in the present stage of socio-political confusion they will not rally around democratic idealism which is foreign to their psychology and which they would find difficult to understand.

## RE-EDUCATION OF JAPAN

I am continually confronted by pseudo-savants who speak of educating Japanese. These persons fail to realize at what stage Japan is. But some type of re-education is possible if the present leaders of Japan can be destroyed. Somehow the mass of Japanese people must attain a new and different outlook. Their dream world of infallibility must be punctured, badly and thoroughly. This implies the limitation of the Army and Navy jingoism and of the many secret societies and patriotic organizations and of their damnable Ronin. It also means control and reorganization of the police by persons who are capable and who are able to read and to use wisely, the capacious files of past information.

## THE DIVINE EMPEROR IN THE SCHEME OF THINGS

Capture of the Emperor and his presumptive heirs might effect a drastic popular re-orientation. Removal of the Imperial family from Japan could explode the fictitious of Imperial divinity and of the unbreakable succession of the divine dynasty. The mythology of the divine Emperor does not end, however, with the immediate members of the Imperial Family. Generals and jingoists are kept in Japan, and persons affiliated with the Imperial Family are numerous. Presumably the Emperor could be replaced by a suitable relative. Be-

fore continuing, it is necessary to call the reader's attention to another aspect of Japanese tradition.

## THE THREE SACRED TREASURES

According to Japanese sacred history when Amaterasu the Sun Goddess first came to Japan there were found three sacred treasures whose reliability is of course divinely inspired and impeccable. They still exist in the treasury house of the Imperial Family. The three treasures are, let a mirror upon which Amaterasu beheld her lovely face when she left her heavenly home for Japan. The other is a gorgeous collection of jewels which the gods conveniently dropped upon a sakaki tree for the delectation of the newly arrived goddess, and the third is a sword which the Storm God found in the tail of a dragon when it sought successfully to defend Amaterasu. This sword (suggestive of Siegfried in the Nibelungen Legend) is so tough that it denied his own sword. The sword was held in the end of the dragon's tail.

## NATIONAL MORALS CANGE SLOWLY

We know how long it takes any nation to change its habits and customs. We should have no hopes whatsoever that Japan, as a result of an inevitable overwhelming defeat, will alter her code of habits and customs. The nearest thing to "sincerity" and attempt to evade her promises. It has worked that way for ten centuries or more. We should have no hopes whatsoever that Japan, as a result of an inevitable overwhelming defeat, will alter her code of habits and customs. The nearest thing to "sincerity" and attempt to evade her promises. It has worked that way for ten centuries or more.

## THE EMPEROR'S ROLE

No Japanese, save the Emperor, dares behold the Three Sacred Treasures. Only a legitimate Emperor could possess them and live. Mere inheritance of the replica, kept in the palace automatically makes the possessor Emperor. When the Sovereign dies, his successor takes over the treasures.

He requires no coronation—then and there, he becomes Emperor. Subsequent ceremonies are symbolic of the accomplished fact. Hence capture of the Imperial Family or the three treasures would mean the end of the Japanese Empire.

Officials, Army, Navy, and Civilian—would assume responsibility and stone in death for their failure or inability to protect the Imperial Person and the Three Sacred Treasures. If necessary for those who will deal with Japan to have imagination, astuteness, toughness and an insight into Japanese habits and psychology. If Americans expect to win the war and preserve the peace capable leaders must be trained or selected for the job. Whether Japan is to be administered by foreigners, or whether a recognized government by Japan is to be established, it is held to its obligations by foreign supervision. Competent personnel is absolutely essential. Where in these United States can they be found? Furthermore we must remember at times that the Japanese are a very tricky and a very sly and a very cunning people. We must remember that the Japanese are a very tricky and a very sly and a very cunning people.

## INVASION A NECESSITY

There is only one way to accomplish this and it is to invade and occupy the Japanese islands and require the Japanese to denounce their present emperor and occupation. Japan has never been conquered. It is their religion that the Gods chose Japan as the center of the universe, and sent down the God, Emperor, to rule and with the aid of his people see for themselves the rule the entire human race. They believe (virtually all of them) that Japan can never be conquered. They must be shown, very definitely, and positively, that it can and has been. And shown, in a concrete way whereby the people see for themselves the occupying and parading conquerors.

## FALSE PSYCHOLOGY

WHICH MISREPRESENTS THE Japanese type of blitzkrieg propaganda. A successive series of paralyzing blows which would thus damage and stultify American pride. First Pearl Harbor must succeed 100 per cent. Then a conquest of Oregon, Washington and California. Stultifying humiliations American pride would have been punctured and then the victorious Japanese would dictate terms to the decadent democracy in the White House. We were to be forced to disarm and then pay a staggering indemnity. All this was planned in 1924. Someway it was to be accomplished. The Gods must wait and try again later on.

It is only starry-eyed idealism who say we have to look out for all the peoples of the world, so long as we have freedom in our own land. The rest of the world is none of our concern.

As these arguments grow into a chorus and as they get the backing of less balanced politicians, Japan will make peace overtures. Unless we steel ourselves against the cries of the "peace" keepers, it will be impossible for the government to refuse to compromise. And there are so many good Japanese who are so peace-loving that they will not make the peace terms sound, no matter what promises they may make, (with absolutely no intention of keeping them) that will be a victory for Japan. Her fate will have been sealed. Her statesmen will have proved their devotion to their Emperor. They were not defeated. Japanese perversion of the situation for home consumption will make a mountain of inaccuracy and misrepresentation. The United States will never see any sense in this and not only locked, but so thoroughly locked that they will stay locked and be satisfied with their role in the family of nations.

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## JAPAN AND GERMANY

When Japan struck at Pearl Harbor she struck not to help Germany but to insure against a possible German defeat. The Tokyo leaders knew very well that if they stayed where they were late in 1941, no farther than the Philippines, the Dutch strength in the East Indies, the British strength in Malaya and Burma would increase. Japan knew that if Hitler lost, she herself would have to withdraw northward.

## TIME TO CONSIDER

So Japan moved fast and in 90 days drove the white men out of East Asia and the adjacent islands. Japan banked upon the United Nations adopting the policy of "Hitler First" and calculated that by grabbing her new empire of 400,000,000 souls when she did she could count upon at least two years of development before she would be seriously attacked here. These calculations have proved to be diabolically correct. Now Japan believes that war weariness will develop in this country and in Britain, after we have paid the terrible cost of bringing Hitler to defeat. Japan is counting upon that weariness with the business of war and hopes for a compromise which will be to her advantage and which will save the faces of those who perpetrated the dastardly war. She also figures that she will retain the rule over the 400,000,000 conquered whom she now

rules, and loots, taxes and works 12 to 14 hours the day.

The American people and the people of the Allied Nations have the right to demand the Four Freedoms. But a compromise peace, which would leave Japan strong and still armed and able to attack herself further, would mean scrapping the Four Freedoms—not only for the Far East but all over the world. For with Japan strong, undefeated and uninvaded, we would never know again freedom from fear and the tensions incident to constant preparation for another war there cannot be freedom of speech. Logically freedom of speech is a denied freedom of worship is soon lost, and if we must prepare for another war, living in fear of attack, we must know no freedom from want. We shall have to choose guns rather than butter.

## JAPAN'S OWN FREEDOMS

This Divinely Ordered land reserves to herself her own freedoms, monstrous freedoms. She demands the freedom to enslave her neighbors in those territories to grueling toil for the greater wealth power and glory of Nippon. She demands the freedom to enslave and with spurious leaders to create puppet states. She demands the right to make these puppet rulers laws for the citizens of these unhappy countries. She demands the right to ignore the laws of the Geneva Convention in modern warfare and to rewrite or revise international law—for instance the announcement from Tokyo that Tokyo or Japan and who are captured will be tried as murderers and executed.

## EVER BRINGING THE JAPANESE TO

Ever bringing the Japanese to unconditional surrender will not be enough to discredit totally the military with the Japanese people. The masses of Japan must be given to understand that aggression does not pay. Disarmament alone will not do it. There must be a proclamation from the United Nations Military Force which will occupy the home islands. We must not only defeat Japan's armies in the lands they have

overrun but we must bring evidence of their defeat to the people of Japan's homeland.

Every city of any size must be garrisoned by troops of the United Nations. There must be victory parades by our armies down Tokyo's Ginza, the equivalent of our Fifth Avenue in New York or Market Street in San Francisco, and down the main streets of every other large Japanese city or town. And the promises made at the Teheran Conference of taking back from Japan her "wrongly acquired colonies" such as Korea and Formosa must be insisted upon. These measures are not to be entered into for revenge—not to humiliate Japan's cities as Japan humiliated Shanghai, Manila, Singapore, and Hong-Kong, but to smash forever Japanese minds the myth of their divine invincibility. And this can be done only by the presence of our troops.

That job and all the danger that make it imperative will face us still, on the day when Germany surrenders, barring the improbability that Japan will then campaign to get us to call it quits. For if we quit then, the boys now in short pants will have to fight Japan within 20 years or sooner. America, beware of sentimentalism and beware of sentimental

dealings with the sons of the Gods. Let us have celestial intimacy, but terrestrial awareness of the cruelties of primitive enemies and then act realistically so we may prevent their military resurrection. Hit Finis. Then we will have won the war and achieved the peace.

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## FACE SAVING A SURE THING

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Many indications, which can be pieced together, leave virtually no doubt that the plans are well laid. They are based upon an understanding by Japan of American psychology and of our ignorance of the refusal to reckon with their as a potent factor. Anyone who has lived and traveled through Japan, with critical and open eyes appreciates this phase of Japanese cunning and its consequences only too fully. They are calculating cunningly on the effect the collapse of their Axis ally will have in this country. They foresee, better than most people here, what our emotional reactions to victory over Germany will be. They are planning to utilize them, and the danger that they will succeed is extremely great.

Japanese radio monitors were eagerly listening when Mr. Churchill told England that part of the British armies will be demobilized after Hitler has been crushed—that the whole British force now under arms will not be needed for continuing the war in the Far East. They assume that Washington has taken the same position and made a similar decision.

## EFFECT OF PARTIAL DEMOBILIZATION

Partial demobilization will have a peculiar psychological effect upon the American public. Many fearful Americans whose sympathies are not too thoroughly with the British will see the situation from a pathetically narrow angle. It will be the end of the war for a number of soldiers. They will come back to civilian life amidst great rejoicing by their families and friends. But for the families and friends of those who don't come back and who lack far-sight and vision—who have to stay in service to fight the Japanese, there will develop a serious problem. What will the reaction be of those who see their neighbors' boys getting back and getting the pick of eligibles?

## PEACE PROPAGANDA AND UNREST

The result of partial demobilization—as the it figured out—will be a surge of war weariness and unrest. This is fertile soil for peace propaganda. The cunning Japanese are all set to start the kind of arguments that short-sighted Americans can pick up. "After all Asia is so far away," "Are Korea and Formosa worth the lives of a quarter of million of American boys?" "Let's get out and just supply China with arms and money and let China and Japan settle a typically oriental squabble." "Manchuria was never stable under China. Let Japan

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## Experienced Singers Compose Chapel Choir

Fort Benning's chapel choir, composed of men and women who have sung in church choirs in many states, will furnish music for many occasions in addition to the regular Sunday morning inter-denominational services in the Post Chapel.

Including among their number former soloists for New York and Boston churches and a one-time member of the Fred Waring Chorus, the chorists sing for such special occasions as the Easter Sunrise and Mother's Day Services at the stadium and at Christmas-time.

Officers and enlisted men, their wives and daughters, and civilian employees of the post make up the membership of the choir under the direction of Mrs. J. O. Methvin, of Columbus, former professor of Kansas who studied music in Boston, New York and Chicago.

Lt. Louis Magin, of the tactical section, of The Infantry School's academic regiment, is a member of the choir who formerly sang in Fred Waring's widely known chorus. Lt. Charles Glazer, formerly was a soloist at St. Mary's of the Garden Church, a little church near Columbia University in New York City, which is noted for its music.

Cpl. Gunnar Johnson, another member of the choir, was soloist for Mt. Vernon Church in Boston, Mass., before entering the Army. Lis. Magin and Glazer sing bass while the corporal is a tenor.

New members are always welcome to join the choir, Mrs. Methvin said. Membership is open to all interested singers—officers and enlisted men, their wives and daughters, and anyone else who would like to sing with the group. Regular rehearsals are held in the Post Chapel every Friday night at 8 o'clock.

## Alabama Area Gets Public Phone Center

An attended public telephone center has been opened in the Alabama Paratroop Area.

This area is where the first and last stages of Paratroop training are given and the men are under restriction most of the time while there. It is isolated from other parts of Fort Benning and is about 20 miles from downtown Columbus. The need for convenient public telephone service is very great, it was pointed out.

The building, 20'x60' in size, was provided by the Army and cooperatively between the company and the Army was ceilinged and painted throughout and floor covering and light fixtures were provided. The center is attractively equipped with venetian blinds, draperies, and nice furniture.

The opening was in charge of F. B. Patterson, district manager, and L. A. (Jack) Wood, camp manager. Capt. John E. Minter, Jr., Special Services Officer of the Parachute School, presided. Short talks were made by Brigadier General Ridgely Gaither, Commanding General of the Parachute School, and E. B. Emrey, Georgia manager. Mr. Emrey told of the purpose of the telephone company in providing the service for the men and expressed appreciation for the fine cooperation of the Army. General Gaither expressed his appreciation for the

fine service to his men and commented on the fine morale value of the service.

The attendants for this center are Mrs. John Moore, Mrs. Howard Jr., and Miss Sarah Allen, all of Fort Mitchell, Alabama.

Also present for the opening were Miss Louise Torbett, coach, Mrs. Odelle Adams, acting supervisor of attendants, and Miss Margaret Rivers, chief operator, all of Columbus.

The honor of making the first call from the center following the formal opening went to Pvt. Richard A. O'Kane, who called his mother in Sacramento, Cal., after General Gaither drew his name.

Officers of General Gaither's command attending were Col. C. W. C. Rich, Commanding Officer of Alabama Area; Lt. Col. Alton R. Taylor of the Second Parachute Training Regiment; Capt. John E. Minter, Jr., Special Services Officer; and Lt. William L. Port, Aide de Camp. Guest officers were Lt. Col. Edward Littleton, Post Engineer, and Lt. Col. D. J. Adams, Post Signal Officer.

Besides Mr. Emrey, Mr. Patterson and Mr. Wood, other representatives of the Telephone Company present were J. P. Bender, district traffic manager; P. L. Miramon, district plant manager; O. W. Cobb, camp manager. Out of town guests were W. S. Barlow, division sales manager, and R. H. Blankenship, South Georgia district manager.

With the addition of this center, there are now nine in operation for the men of Fort Benning. Their locations are Doughboy Stadium, Lawson Field, Alabama, and Hill, Eighth Division Road, Service Club No. 3, Reception Center, Specialized Training Regiment, and Ninth Street U. S. O. in Columbus. Attendants are on duty in evenings and week ends at all centers. Public telephones are also in many other convenient locations on the Post and in Columbus.

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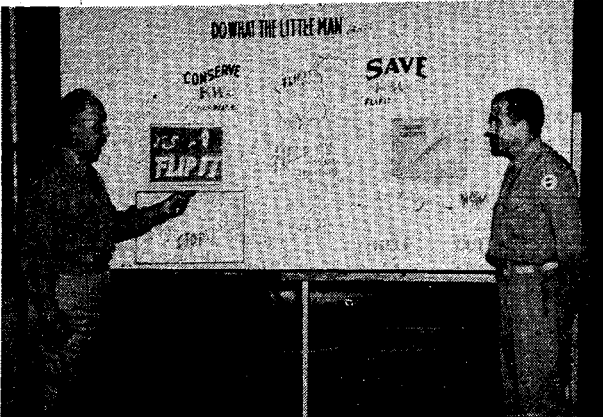
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Pearce, Helen McClaffin, and Mrs. J. O. Methvin, choir director. Male voices from left to right, second row, include Lt. Bruce MacArthur, Pvt. Paul L. Shoff, Maj. John Parker, Capt. Joseph Randolph, Jr., Cpl. Gunnar A. Johnson, and Pvt. Billy Carr; third row, left to right: Pvt. Walter V. Edmunds, Pvt. Paul A. Wagner, Lt. Robert Thredgill, Lt. Wallace Felden, Lt. David G. Ambrose, Lt. Louis Magin, Charles Heard, and Burhl Hill. (U. S. Army Signal Corps Photo.)



**"SAVE ELECTRICITY!"** This means an equal saving in power and money" says Col. Paul N. Starlings, commanding officer of the Third Infantry, in discussing the present conservation program with Capt. A. M. Olsen, Third Infantry conservation officer. These posters are part of the Post Engineer's conservation campaign, instituted by Brig. Gen. William H. Hobson, commanding general of Fort Benning. (U. S. Army Photo.)

## Civilians Cut Lost Time Accidents in Two

Lost time accidents among the civilian personnel of this post decreased 50 per cent during the first five months of 1944, in comparison to the same period of 1943, reports Captain Milton T. Smith, Post Safety Director.

Thirty-two lost time accidents which caused the loss of 422 working days occurred during the first five months of 1944, while the same period in 1943 shows sixteen lost time accidents causing the loss of 265 days.

The Army Service Forces Safety Program has as its objective the prevention of injuries to personnel and the elimination of accidents which cause damage to property and equipment of the post, thereby reducing absenteeism and conserving life, limb and material, all of which are of vital importance to the war effort.

**PROGRAM INTENSIFIED**

General Hobson recently directed that an expanded and intensified safety program be put into operation through the establishment of a post advisory safety committee, branch safety committees and departmental safety meetings. The post advisory safety committee is composed of the following members: C. C. Thurman, representing the Supply Division; A. J. Murphy, the Post Transportation Branch; W. H. Sims, Post Engineer Branch; Ray S. Miller, Armament, Post Ordnance Branch; C. A. Lindsay, Army Exchange Branch; A. C. Lindquist, Automotive, Post Ordnance Branch; and Walter E. Crew, Post Safety Inspector. This committee held its first meeting June 2, 1944, and Mr. Lindsay was selected chairman, and Mr. Crew secretary. The Post Safety director serves in an advisory capacity to the committee.

**MEET MONTHLY**

The branch safety committees are composed of from three to five members of the civilian personnel of the branch, selected by the head of the branch, who serves as

## Ex-Benning Officer Is Dead In India

Brig. Gen. Donald A. Davison, whose death in India was announced by the War Department, was formerly on duty with the Infantry School Troops Brigade as commander of the 21st Engineers company. He reported to Fort Benning in October, 1938.

At the time of his death, he was the Commanding General, Engineer Command, Provisional, in the Mediterranean Theater of Operations. General Davison, a native of Arizona, came from a military family. His father was Col. Lorenzo P. Davison of the U. S. Army and his grandfather was Capt. Michael Shannon of the New York Volunteers during the War Between the States.



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## Baker Village Shopping Center to Open in October

C. F. Williams has obtained priority approval of the Federal Public Housing Authority and will build a Community Center at Baker Village costing approximately \$20,000. Construction will begin on June 17 and will be completed by the Williams Construction Company.

The center will include 12 stores, a drug store, a restaurant, a theater, Mr. Williams estimated the project will be completed by Oct. 15.

In addition to serving the 4,000 residents in Baker Village and Benning Park homes, almost 3,000 more persons live in the surrounding trade area. At present there are no facilities to serve these 8,000 people.

Both Baker Village and Benning Park homes were financed by federal funds and are under management and rental supervision of the Columbus Housing Authority. The Columbus authority attempted to obtain federal funds to construct a shopping center in the area, but failed. They then interested private capital in building the center and worked with Mr. Williams in obtaining federal priority approval.

Tenants to occupy the stores are now being signed, and the center will be in operation by Oct. 15.

## Former Post Civilian Engineer Employee With ARC Overseas

Patricia N. Teague, daughter of Mrs. Bessie N. Teague, 1936 Fifth avenue, Ft. Worth, Texas, has arrived in England to serve the armed forces as an American Red Cross staff assistant. Until her Red Cross appointment, Miss Teague was employed as a junior engineer, United States Engineers, Ft. Benning.

Previously, she was a loftman and production illustrator, Consolidated Vultee Aircraft Corporation, Ft. Worth.

## BURKS IN ENGLAND

Ray O. Burks, Jr., formerly of LeGrange, Ga., has arrived in England to serve the armed forces as an American Red Cross field director. Before his overseas assignment, Burks was a Red Cross field director at Ft. Benning.

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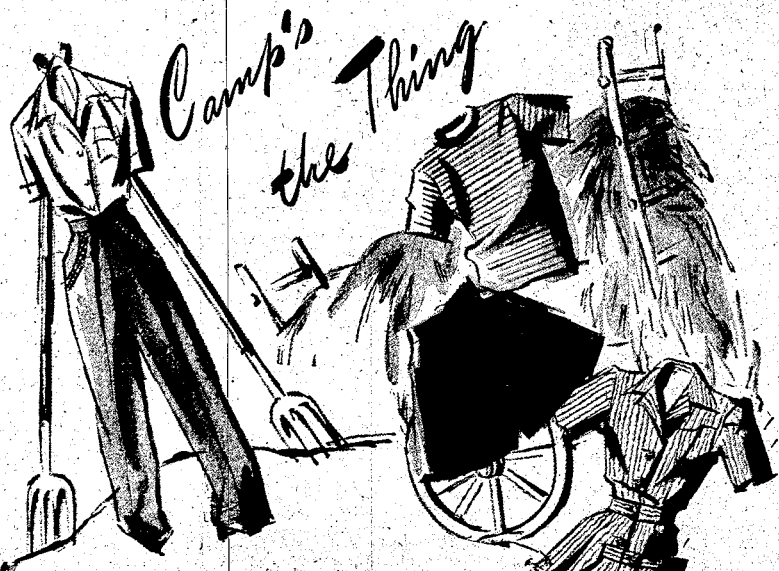
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—Joseph E. Davis, former U. S. Ambassador to Russia.

## Army Has A Heart, A Great Big Heart

"Army Files Georgian 12,000 Miles to Bedside of Critically Ill Wife."—News Item.

In case anyone ever really doubted it, this story which appeared in newspapers throughout the country last week should be rather convincing evidence that the United States Army has a big heart. The Army's humanitarian act in sending Private Jack Holder from Bogainville to his home at Lumpkin, Ga., is merely one in a long series of similar incidents.

There was, for example, the famed Commando Kelly. The Commando is a fighting man and would not see a special favor for himself. However, his aged mother, nearly blind, wanted to see her boy again before her fight was forever over. So she asked for the Army's help. Commando Kelly came home in time for his mother to see him once more.

The files of the Red Cross, which generally acts as intermediary between civilians and the Army in such incidents, could multiply the Holder and the Kelly cases many thousand times. Of course, comparatively few cases call for airplane journeys halfway around the world—or involve such spectacular figures as the technical sergeant from Pittsburgh who won a Congressional Medal of Honor for extraordinary heroism in Italy. Little, if any publicity, is given the plain, everyday variety. It is only the unusual ones that make headlines.

It is difficult to imagine such incidents taking place in the German or the Japanese armies. Sending a man home from halfway around the world to help save the life of his critically ill wife is something that could only happen in an Army of free men, an army that springs from a people with a great heart themselves.

An Army such as ours does not look upon its soldiers as automatons to be cost in lives without consideration as to the cost in lives. Men must be won wars, but in our Army the underlying strategy is to achieve our goal—total victory—with the minimum possible loss in American lives.

Yes, Mr. and Mrs. America, you can be very sure that your sons are in good hands.

## G. I.'s Will Welcome New \$10 War Bond

Service men and women of the Armed Forces throughout the globe will welcome the announcement by the Treasury Department that a special "G. I." war bond, costing \$7.50 and paying off at \$10 on maturity will be issued in the near future.

The new bond will be available only to members of the Army, Navy, Marines, Coast Guard, and Maritime Service.

Its advantages are obvious: It will have a distinct psychological effect because G. I.s, whose available cash is limited, will not have to wait several months to accrue enough funds with which to convert their money into an interest-bearing bond. Instead of holding on to a stamp album for two or three months, the time necessary to fill it out and convert it, many soldiers will be able to purchase the bond itself on each pay-day.

Here's hoping that bonds in the new G. I. denomination will be printed at once and gotten into the hands of service war bond salesmen. Cash war bond sales in service establishments assuredly will sky-rocket.

## Human Nature Can Be Changed

Out of the war come many discoveries. Necessity has been the mother of invention. And most of these war-time instruments for killing give real promise of new implements for peace-time living.

Some discoveries, like the jet-propelled plane, have had wide publicity. Others have been kept strictly secret. But the most important discovery of all should not be kept secret. If immediately adopted by every individual, in every home and every industry, it could do more to speed the winning of the war than all the inventions combined. And it could do infinitely more for human progress in the postwar world.

This greatest of discoveries is simply a recognition that human nature can be changed. War-time stress led to many bottlenecks in industry. Manpower shortage and short tempers developed human friction that slowed up production. Something had to be done. So, folks rolled up their sleeves and found, again—a sour forefather first found—that, under God, a fighting team can go in and bring a change of heart to the toughest lines, in Army camps, in homes, in theatres, in new challenges to our old-time fighting faith has gone out to the nation. Production has gone up. Division has gone down. Teamwork has been built up as the bottlenecks melted away.

Changed human nature can do so much to bring up war production, it will be even more important to iron out the problems of peace. Where people are no different the world will be no different after the war. But if human nature can change that, gives a wholly new complexion to tomorrow.

We have thought that human nature could not change because we have so often waited for the other fellow to do something. Naturally nothing

## Wastes And Salvage Must Be Segregated

Last week-end THE BAYONET editors took a short jaunt over to the Malone Lake area (the water has been drained off) behind the Officers' Club to take a look-see at Fort Benning's waste disposal project in operation, and what we beheld was a revelation.

The area is well on its way to becoming a useful plot of ground serving as a parade field, athletic field, parking lot, of whatever post officials have in mind for this reclaimed land. The process of reclamation being employed by the Post Engineer, Lt. Col. Edward L. Littleton, in conjunction with another project, that of the disposal of waste material. The method adopted, known as the sanitary fill, is explained in detail elsewhere in this issue.

Hundreds of truck-loads of waste come rolling to the area all day long to dump their cargo in the fill, but also, along with the waste came numerous items such as rope, leather belt, metal funnels, even clothing which we examined and which, according to informed officials of the Fourth Service Command, were far from having fulfilled their purpose in having been manufactured.

We were asked to help spread the word around here and elsewhere that all personnel must exercise the greatest vigilance in seeing to it that salvage and wastes are properly segregated so that the former can be repaired and returned to service. In view of the dire shortage of critical materials, it is vitally necessary that all of us guard against sending to the garbage dumps "materials" which can still serve a useful purpose in the successful prosecution of the war.

## Conservation Begins With Our Uniform

The uniform is the first thing that distinguishes a soldier from a civilian, or soldiers of different countries. Down through history men have taken special pride in being able to wear military dress. In King Arthur's day, any man who was a gentleman wore a suit of armor practically all his life.

The gaudy, many tasseled regalia of past ages has been replaced today with smart, well-tailored, adequate clothes. The soldier of today knows that the clothes he wears are the best for the climate and the type outfit that he happens to be assigned to.

We of Truck Regiment are a bit careless in the care of our uniforms, in the appearance of the shoes, in the manner in which our ties are tied, in the appearance and manner in which we wear our garrison caps.

In keeping with the conservation program we should begin to take all the care possible of our issued clothing. Through the practice of sensible salvage we never have to wear worn or torn clothing. It is pure negligence when a soldier of the United States Army is seen shabbily dressed.

All of the rules for wearing the uniform need to be more closely observed. Only authorized pins, buttons, medals and insignia should appear on the uniform. No matter what clever ideas one might have on where to wear a pin, or how the pants or blouse should be tailored, it is absolutely taboo. Wait until you have been detailed by the War Department to help design the uniform before you start giving vent to your ideas on how it should be worn and what is to go on it.

—The Rocket's Glare.

Are you a sand-bay or just a bystander as we lay foundations for tomorrow's world?

If we do nothing but devise new systems, we will simply repeat history. If we create new people, we will change history.

The Golden Rule in many cases has degenerated to a rule of brass—do others before they do you.

The great man is the man who inspires the other fellow to be great.

The world seems just a gamble. No matter how you take it.

The sure bet is to give your life. In work that helps remake it.

Clutching at the other fellow's shirt tails may pull you higher than tugging at your own bootstraps. But think what it does to the other fellow.

You can seldom judge a man by his manner towards his superiors. His manner towards his inferiors is far more revealing.

The greatest man is he who makes the least difference between himself and others.

Talkative friends are sometimes more dangerous than a silent enemy.

## LOOSE TALK COSTS LIVES!



## Sgt. McDonald's Basket

SAWGRASS RESCUES T. P.'S PANTS; WOUNDED HE DEM ANDS PURPLE HEART

By SGT. TOM McDONALD, 1ST STR

"The first thing," said General Quagmire to Colonel Swampwater, Private Sawgrass, and myself, "is to keep your pants down, your eyes open and your mouths shut as you go through this infiltration course."

"What about the artillery barrage that you mentioned?" asked Colonel Swampwater.

"That will be an auxiliary hazard for the various dynamic charges that will be set off under your feet. Don't worry too much about stopping stopped. Private First Class Quagmire, from the first aid hospital is here to give first aid to anyone that needs it."

"I'm rarin' to go, General!" said Private Sawgrass leaning slightly forward.

"No matter what confronts me I shall do my duty!" the Ol' Boy solemnly replied.

"Good!" said General Quagmire. "The artillery battery is in position. The dynamite is laid and all of the other little devilish delights which I have devised are ready. On your mark! GET SET!" Colonel Swampwater swallowed his chewing gum and ground his teeth. Sawgrass raised one foot in order to lean forward as the General yelled "Go!"

The three of us lurched into action and then as we dashed hurriedly down the field all hades seemed to cut loose. Artillery shells started bracketing in about one hundred yards to our flanks. When we waded into the puddles of slimy mud, machine guns opened up around us. Sawgrass and I hit the ground and started crawling but Colonel Swampwater remained in a walking position until a bullet bounced off the top of his helmet, then he sat down rather abruptly.

"Start crawling, Kernal!" Sawgrass yelled back at him just as dynamite blast went off in front of him and drenched him from head to foot.

"I can take care of myself!" the Ol' Boy yelled, "and don't try to jump that barbed wire fence! Crawl under it!"

"Yes, Sir!" we answered, turning over on our backs to wiggle through. Dynamite opened up on both sides of us again and the General yelled "Go!"

"What's that you have in your hands, Private Sawgrass?"

"Colonel's pants, Sir. I done crawled back through that ragin' inferno to rescue 'em! I went above and beyond the call of duty! I want to be awarded THE SOLDIER'S MEDAL AND THE PURPLE HEART!"

"Indeed!" mused General Quagmire, "but why do you insist on THE PURPLE HEART? You haven't been wounded have you?"

"The heck I ain't!" whined Sawgrass, turning around and pointing to the seat of his pants.

## This Khaki'd World

BY PVT. G. I. GRIFE As Public Relations Officer men were delivering "Bayonets" on Thursday, a full column drove up behind their truck and asked them where entrance to 3d Infantry was. On being informed he was right in front of it, he asked "Is it okay to park my jeep here?"

Whereupon one of the fellows cracked "It ought to be for you, sir." But the Colonel looked slightly pained and said "You have no idea how the MP's like to get something on us poor colonels."

Officer Candidate Richard J. Rodd, 28th company, First STR, is pretty proud of a picture of himself and Ensign Linda Darnell. It was taken when she was visiting a camp in West while O. C. Rodd was on desert maneuvers. It seems that he invited her to eat with his company and that she got the chance to have the pix made.

Boy, that Sgt. Tom McDonald certainly goes in for high class literature nowadays. He confesses in last week's column to be immersed in Virginia Dabney's "Liberalism in the South." He probably thought it had something to do with giving things away liberally.

Fort Benning Athletic Association officials can't quite figure human nature. They built a nice stadium at Gowdy Field and then at every baseball game, observe that there are nearly as many soldiers peering through the fences as there are occupying the stands. About all they can do is that it must be the old knothole influence at work. At that, it might be an idea for baseball magnates—put up a board with regular knothole in front of every seat.

And down at Lawson Field they call the civilian women who work in the Parachute Department—"alk worms."

Out in the Prisoner of War Camp, some of the men of 1435 SCU took some horse-back riding lessons—and had to stand up for two days.

An open-armed welcome to "The Guidon," brand new publi-



## Chaplain's Corner

By Chaplain Geo. A. Ritchey

In the military establishment discipline is an important factor. Usually when we think of the word we think of austere, hard-bitten officers and non-coms whose word is law and whose wish is law. We also associate with it regulations, customs of the service, and good house sense.

Generally discipline is thought of as something that is imposed from above and from without the individual soldier. However, the well-disciplined soldier is the one who is so well schooled in the art of fine soldiering that he instinctively does the right thing. At first these things were done because of outward pressure but now they are the natural thing and require little conscious effort.

Military commanders going into a unit to inspect it look for clean gun orders, quarters, polished brass, buffed pointers, snappy salutes, as evidence of good discipline. What is there in a unit that the inspector does not see that could possibly be more vital than that which he does see? Discipline is control, control of others and control of one's self, control of physical and spiritual resources within ourselves and others.

The drill sergeant is thrilled when at the command, "forward march" 250 sets of feet move forward in unison. Well-drilled troops are easily controlled and this gives the sergeant a sense of power. A group of fine young Americans possess tremendous potential power. Organize this power by training and discipline and the consequent control exercised by the leader can use this power to destroy our enemies or to destroy ourselves.

The thoughts that have come to many of us as we have watched formal inspections is "What is there in the way of moral and spiritual strength or weakness that is hidden behind that well-shaven face and that neat appearing, well-clad body?" Can these soldiers we look at this morning at inspection control their own bodies and minds? Each man is a commander who has under his control his own personality.

Can you say this command of yours is well-disciplined? Are there some habits that you should submit for I & I? Good military discipline involves much that the eye cannot see.

## THINK

By CPL. ARTHUR M. MCCARTHY First Student Training Regiment

The present war will not last forever. Are you "thinking of the future," Soldier, or are you wasting many precious off-duty hours that could easily be converted into substantial value?

Through provisions legislated by your government, there is absolutely no excuse for any young man lacking some reasonable degree of education. For instance, we have on this Post the famous Infantry School Library, the popular Post Library both of which have an excellent assortment of valuable books. Then of course there is the United States Armed Forces Institute at Madison, Wis., which is always ready and willing to serve. All that actually requires is "your initiative."

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We've got to remember that we're all in this together. British, Russians, Chinese. And French, Polish—Yugoslav—Jewish—Irish—Mexican—English—or-whatever you are—Americans, Indians, whites, and Negroes, Soldiers, Sailors, Marines, Coast Guardsmen, boys in the A. A. P. or the Merchant Marines. And civilians. Yes, and civilians.

All the names from Pearl Harbor onwards are written on our memories and on our hearts in your steel and your blood and your courage. The exploits at home aren't of this kind. But, believe me, boys, they do exist.

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## Eileen Says

THIS WAR IS PRODUCING YANKEE-BORN REBELS, REBEL-BORN YANKEES

A subject that has given me thought for amusement lately is what school rosters are going to look like five years—an eighteen years—from now when the war years are confident of the past, and people will have gone "back home" and will have settled down to more or less normal ways of life again.

Because a good many of the young people who are beginning to raise families at this time are Army people, and they're stationed in all parts of the country. Just the other day we ran across a couple from Washington. They've been "Army" for nearly three years now—have three children—one born "back home" at Fort Lewis, another born at Ft. Meade, Maryland, and still another in a little town in Mississippi.

I say that the subject gives me a great deal of amusement, because I well remember when, a few years ago, a school friend of mine met and married a young man from Louisiana who was studying at our local university. They went to live in Louisiana, and a year later returned to the northern city so the young man could finish some work toward his degree.

While there their first child was born, and her Louisiana father was horrified that one of his children should have been born a "Yankee." The situation amused me further, because of the fact that the part of the country in which they were living was definitely not "Yankee" territory—it was country that had no part in the Civil War—country where the Civil War is only a story related in school history classes.

## G. I. Humor

The colonel was lecturing a class of incipient officers. "A 40 foot flagpole has fallen down," he said, "you have a sergeant and a squad of ten men. How do you erect the flagpole again?"

The candidates thought, then offered suggestions about block and tackle, derricks, and so on.

"You're all wrong," replied the colonel. "You'd say: Sergeant, get that flagpole up."

Pre-war Version: "Hello, Joe? What do ya know?"

Today: "Hello, Joe? When do ya rot?"

Science is resourceful. It couldn't open the Pullman window, so it air-conditioned the train.

There is the story of two privates who paused to puzzle over a dead animal they saw at the roadside.

"It has two stripes," said one.

"That settles it," said the other. "It's either a skunk or a corporal."

Breathes there a GI with soul so dead?

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## United We Stand

BY CAROLE LANDIS

Hitler wasn't guessing when he incorporated into his psychological warfare the strategy of "Divide and Conquer." It worked in Norway and it worked in France, and because there is no immunity to Fascism, it's trying hard right here in the United States. There is one antidote.

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All the names from Pearl Harbor onwards are written on our memories and on our hearts in your steel and your blood and your courage. The exploits at home aren't of this kind. But, believe me, boys, they do exist.

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## 30th Inf. Citation Pleases Post Officers

A Presidential citation for gallantry in action has been awarded to the 30th Infantry Regiment, according to an announcement by the War Department today. And this award meets with the hearty approval of Lt. Col. Lyle Bernard, an instructor in the Tactical Section of The Infantry School.

Colonel Bernard commanded that battalion.

The citation also pleased Brig. Gen. William H. Hobson, Commanding General of Fort Benning, who commended the 30th Infantry Regiment for its gallant and successful participation in the campaign of the 30th, particularly that of the 2d Battalion. Colonel Lyle Bernard, the Silver Star and D.S.O.

**HEROIC INFANTRY**

The citation, issued by the Commander in Chief, Fifth Army, tells the story of what the heroic Infantrymen accomplished during the period of August 8 to 12, 1943, as follows:

"When a determined enemy was successfully withstanding the attack of an American Army, the 2d Battalion made an amphibious landing near San Agata, Sicily, eight miles behind the German lines. This battalion forced a breach in the enemy positions, inflicted heavy casualties upon him in men and material and advanced the American positions ten miles."

**SECOND LANDING**

Forty-eight hours later, without rest or normal preparation, the 2d Battalion made a second amphibious landing, this time 15 miles behind the German lines, in order to seize Mount Creole, a dominating terrain feature between the Naro and Broio rivers. In the face of murderous fire from all types of weapons, and tanks,

the battalion, without supporting artillery, doggedly fought its way up the precipitous heights of its objective. The soldiers of this organization maintained their captured positions for 18-2 hours despite constant shelling and repeated counterattacks, until the balance of the division drove through 15 miles of enemy territory to their relief.

"In seizing Mount Creole the 2d Battalion inflicted and suffered heavy losses in men and material but forced the enemy to withdraw 15 miles and denied him the use of a lateral supply line to his inland positions. The action of the 2d Battalion was marked by gallantry, fearlessness and profound devotion to duty in the successful accomplishment of two vital missions."

## Forum Talks Foreign Policy

"Do We Have a Positive Foreign Policy Now?" was the question discussed at this week's lively USO Town Hall Forum. Based on the discussion on the recent broadcasts of Congressman Richards of South Carolina and Congressman Judd of Minnesota, members of the armed forces present felt that we were definitely committed to a policy of destruction of fascism and creation of an international organization backed by force to keep the peace; freedom of people to choose their form of government and unity of all peoples to secure victory.

On the other hand many speakers agreed with Congressman Judd that we are engaging in the same shortsighted expediency, the same diplomatic maneuvering, and intrigues, the same power politics that we have always condemned so bitterly in others.

This criticism of the administration was countered by the charge that not all of the opposition to administration diplomacy was honest but that some of it came from elements wishing to disrupt allied unity and thwart speedy victory. These speakers felt that the government could not always carry on its foreign policy in the open because this would enable opponents to seek to work up



PICTURED ABOVE ARE MEMBERS of the graduating class of the Fort Benning Children's School, who received their diplomas from Brig. Gen. William H. Hobson, commanding general of the post, at exercises in the school auditorium Friday morning. Left to right, front row, are Sue Moffet, Sally Orcutt, Sue Sander, Suzanne Stillinger, Roberta Jane Freund, and Frances Ellis. Second row, Frederick Allen Shannon, Felix Norman Davis, Richard Morgan, Joseph Palumbo, Edwin Cox, Jr., and Mike Heraty. Third row, Francis Henry Vance, Edgar Allan Blair, Clinton Harvey Crush, Miss Lillian Wells, class teacher; Bobby Magoni, George Knott, and Robert Sonfield, Jr. (U. S. ARMY SIGNAL CORPS PHOTO.)

## General Hobson Talks to Post School Grads

Members of the graduating class of Fort Benning's Children's School received their diplomas from Brig. Gen. William H. Hobson, commanding general of the post, at exercises last Friday in the school auditorium.

In his speech to the graduates, General Hobson pointed out the preservation of such things as "this wonderful school" is what America is fighting for, and added:

"What Abraham Lincoln would have given for a school like this."

He told the graduates that a school has two purposes: to develop character and to develop abilities—mental, physical and personal. He congratulated the class on its extra-curricular activities during the year, such as its carry on its Red Cross work, and urged them to continue to be active in such projects during the summer months and in their high school careers.

Sue Sanders made a farewell speech for the girls of the class and Edwin Cox, Jr., for the boys. Members of the class joined in singing the class song, whose words were written by Suzanne Stillinger and Susan Moffett. The tune of the "Cornell Alma Mater." They were accompanied by Sue Sander.

The invocation and benediction were spoken by Chaplain Alfred Pollock.

**DIPLOMAS PRESENTED**

Diplomas were presented to Mary Frances Ellis, Roberta Jane Freund, Suzanne Moffett, Sally Irene Orcutt, Sue Sander, Richard Morgan, Joseph Palumbo, Edwin Cox, Jr., Clinton Harvey Crush, Felix Norman Davis, Michael Megath Heraty, George Edward Knott, Richard Montgomery Morgan, Joseph Edward Palumbo, Frederick Allen Shannon, Robert Leon Sonfield, Jr., and Francis Henry Vance, all members of the spring graduating class.

Members of the class who finished in school yesterday at the end of the first semester and received diplomas at this time were Shirley Emma French, Eileen Hovse Pharoah, Helen Ruth-Rest, Frances Virginia Thompson, Beatrice Vida, Virginia Vida, Bobby Joseph Magoni, and Seth Lowell Tuttle.

## Reception Center Chorus Appears In Atlanta Center

Members of the Reception Center Chorus went to Atlanta Sunday to help celebrate the second anniversary of the establishment of the Reception Center there and to take part in a war bond rally at the same time.

Twenty-five members of the chorus which is conducted by Sgt. Willis Brown, made the trip. The chorus is one of the musical organizations at Fort Benning which has gained national fame for its work. It is heard each Thursday from 8:30 to 8:55 p. m. EWT over radio station WREB in Columbus. In the program entitled "Songs of the Soul" and also has sung for many programs and celebrations in Columbus and other nearby cities.

Public opposition to these plans is advanced.

Others felt that the government would get even more support for its foreign policy if it took a stronger stand against some of the "neutral" governments and which were supporting them.

The general feeling seemed to be that we have a definite foreign policy but that it could be strengthened by eliminating all trades of appeasement and lack of military aid.

Next Sunday at 3 p. m. the G I Town Hall program will center its discussion around the third of the "Why We Fight" films entitled "Divide and Conquer."



WAC PVT. JESSIE BRYSON

## Trooper Wac Mother Packs Chutes For Jumper Son, She Hopes

WAC Private Jessie Bryson, of Gastonia, N. C., has a deep personal interest in every "chute she packs at The Parachute School here at Fort Benning—her paratrooper son might use it some day.

At the moment there is little chance that Private Bryson's son will use a "chute" the pack-for Private First Class Carter V. Bryson now is serving with a paratrooper unit in the South Pacific, after making his first combat jump at Lae, New Guinea. However, his mother likes to feel that Carter might wear each "chute she packs."

## F. B. On New Radio Net Show

Fort Benning will be represented on a new coast to coast radio show which will be heard Saturday afternoons from 3:30 to 4:30 p. m. EWT over the Blue Net work, with Staff Sergeant Rawn Spearman, tenor of the Reception Center, appearing from Chicago on Saturday, June 24.

The new radio show, to be entitled "The 21 Stars," will be carried locally over radio station WDOK in Columbus, it was announced by station officials today. First of the programs will be heard on June 17, and on the 24th, Fort Benning will be represented as the program features the Fourth Service Command. Maj. Gen. F. E. Uhl, commanding the Fourth Service Command, also will be heard on this particular program.

Corp. Frederic E. Balazs of Camp McCain, Miss., also will be heard. He is a violinist.

Title of the new show is derived from the fact that the 10 major generals commanding the Service Commands have 20 stars among them, while the extra one is for Brig. Gen. Battle, Deputy Chief of Staff for Service Commands.

The program will be carried over 150 stations, and will originate in Chicago, with Maj. Wayne King directing the musical programs. Well known musicians, singers and entertainers now members of the armed forces will appear on each week's broadcast.

## Design for Work During Invasion Outlined Here

A suggested plan to keep both military and civilian personnel of the Fourth Service Command working at maximum efficiency despite the potential distractions provided by news from the European invasion front has been adopted in modified form and earned a former Fort Benning officer an official letter of commendation from Major General Frederick E. Uhl, commanding general of the Fourth Service Command.

The officer is Captain Ernest Plambeck, until recently assistant supply officer in the Fort Benning Ordnance Department.

In his letter, to General Uhl Captain Plambeck pointed out that invasion news may tend to slow down and less productivity in the zone of the interior as a result of constant newspaper, radio and person-to-person reports, including brief but dramatic communications. Such news, he wrote, demands diverting and distracting attention from the more-than-essential War Department program on the "home front," efficiency and morale may very possibly be lowered, and consequently operating costs increased, by a generally held erroneous opinion of near term prospects for victory, and the feeling that close attention to duty is no longer necessary.

The Captain's plan includes the production and distribution of appropriate colored posters which by direct and psychological appeal will lead, exhort, and stimulate all personnel to maintain top-speed efficiency, station rallies with appropriate music, frequent large-scale Sunday prayer sessions on a voluntary basis.

## Lt. Taylor CO Of 1st STR Unit

Lt. John G. Taylor succeeded Capt. Samuel Phillips as commander of the 13th Company, 1st Student Training Regiment of The Infantry School, upon Capt. Phillips' transfer to the 15th Company. The lieutenant was second-in-command of the 13th Company since October, 1943.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. Sam E. Taylor, Morganfield, Kentucky, he has served in the Navy, Field Artillery, Air Forces, Paratroops, and Infantry during the last 15 years.

His naval service from 1929 to 1933 carried him to Panama, San Salvador, and China. Starting in 1935 he completed a three-year hitch with the 139th Field Artillery, Kentucky National Guard.

In April, 1941, he was drafted and sent to the 131st Infantry at Camp Forrest, Tenn. Four months later his superior officers, finding that because of his previous experience Taylor had been erroneously inducted, discharged him.

Pearl Harbor made him volunteer for the Army Air Forces. After six months' training at Jefferson Barracks, Missouri, he was chosen to attend Infantry OCS at Fort Benning. He was graduated as a second lieutenant in September, 1942.

At Camp Croft, South Carolina, he commanded a rifle platoon and taught combat intelligence until March, 1943. Presently he is a captain in the 13th Company, 1st Student Training Regiment of The Infantry School.

## Golden Voice Of Spearman In Music Test

Staff Sergeant Rawn Spearman, drum major of the Reception Center Band whose radio voice has gained wide fame while singing with the Reception Center Chorus, will represent the Fourth Service Command in a huge musical program in Chicago on June 24.

Sgt. Spearman was one of several picked out in extensive auditions in Atlanta, with vocalists, pianists, instrumentalists of all sorts from all over the Service Command competing.

The program in Chicago will be called the "21 Star Program" and Major Wayne King will be in charge of the musical arrangements. Sgt. Spearman will report in Chicago on June 21, and will sing on the 24th, according to his orders.

## ARRIVES IN N. AFRICA

Nellie Burr Mitchell, American Red Cross assistant program director, whose safe arrival in North Africa was announced today, is the sister of Mrs. E. K. Bennett, 905 Carwell avenue, Waycross, Ga. Until her Red Cross appointment, Miss Mitchell was senior hostess at Fort Benning.

moted to first lieutenant that month, Taylor took command of Headquarters Company of the 1st Student Training Regiment at Camp Butner, North Carolina. Via the Parachute School, he came to the 1st Student Training Regiment last August.

## Trooper Best Gets Gold Wings

Gold Wings were presented to Technical Sergeant Karl N. Best of the 542d Parachute Infantry Battalion upon the completion of his 50th successful parachute jump. The presentation was made by the battalion commander, Lt. Col. Henderson, at a battalion formation held in the unit area, Sergeant Best, chief of the riggers' section of the 542d volunteered for parachute duty in 1941 and served with the 501st Parachute Battalion in the Canal Zone.

The gold wings, an exact duplicate of the sterling silver wings of the Paratroops, were presented to Sergeant Best as a token of the Battalion's appreciation for his fine work. However, they are not authorized to be worn with the uniform.

Sergeant Walter W. Rowlette, also of the 542d was awarded a boxing medal at the same formation by Col. Henderson. Sergeant Rowlette has the distinction of holding the light-weight boxing championship of Fort Benning for the past three consecutive years, and this year retained his championship uncontested.

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## SPORTSCASTING

By PFC. JOHN T. CRONIN

Inasmuch as Carl Neu is back visiting Broadway and the rest of good old New York, we'll try to make this column as interesting as it would be with the old master (he'll gain 10 pounds when he reads this—the Ed.) himself at the wheel.

Carl's pet hobby is The Infantry School baseball loop. And not a bad hobby, we might add!

As a matter of fact, we've decided to take advantage of Carl's hobby and talk about The Infantry School League.

We don't profess to be an expert, but do think that after scoring and writing for 15 years, we know a baseball player when we see one.

This is not an all-star team, but simply a break down of what we consider to be the best players in the league.

We have to start somewhere along the line—so let's talk about the catchers.

There's little doubt that Herb Bremer, currently catching for the Academic Profs, is by far and wide the outstanding backstop in the league.

He hits and throws well, paces his pitchers very capably, is sure death on pop fouls and does everything else demanded of a good catcher.

Moving over to the pitching department, we find at least six hurlers who have demonstrated they can pitch. This group includes "Lefty" Wissman and Joe Dickinson, both of the Profs; Ewell Blackwell and Tom Clyde of the Rifles; Mike Hogan, of the Troopers; and Dewey Wilkins of the Cockades.

A well-balanced staff, and do you agree?

Rounding out the infield is difficult at some spots, easier at others.

Hustling Johnny Scheldt of the Troopers, a fine hitter and a great fielder, gets the nod at first base. But before we concede him to be the best first-baseman in the league, we'd like to say a word in favor of Sid Silverman of the Rifles. Silverman is as smooth around the base as silk around Lamour. He's a timely hitter, too, but his average is quite a bit lower than Scheldt's.

Second base is no problem! Benny Zientara, the slick fielding and hard hitting star of the Profs, is by far and wide the outstanding second baseman in the loop.

Reaching the shortstop post, Fred Hatfield, the Trooper lad, is the number one man in this department. A great fielder and excellent hitter, he stands out like a sore thumb.

Third base is a toss-up between "Red" McClusky of the Wolves, and Earl Erickson of the Troopers. Both are good fielders, McClusky, perhaps a little smoother. Neither has been knocking the cover off the ball, but each has been hitting. A team wouldn't be weakened with either in the lineup.

Moving to the outfield, we run into another obstacle. It's really hard to name three players and say they're the best.

After all, this isn't an all-star team, it's simply a pool of the best players.

In our opinion, the best outfielders are Elmer Niebler, the hard hitting Profs' ace; Carl Cutchin of the Raiders, George Hazzard, the valuable Cockade star; Garland Lawing, another one of the Profs, and Johnny Strukel, the hustling slugger of the Rifles.

The above named players, from our viewpoint, are the best at each position.

That's our opinion. We don't expect you to agree!

After all, we had to fill up the space. It looked plenty big when we started—and it's been some time since we had the pleasure to write a long column.

It used to be a daily assignment. But times have changed. See you at the ball park.

## Beau Jack Sworn In At Reception Center

Pvt. Sidney Walker of Augusta, Ga., who won fistic fame as Beau Jack, holder of the world's lightweight title for some years, is now officially a member of the Army.

He was sworn in last week by First Lieutenant James M. Cox, induction officer at the Reception Center, Fort Benning, and immediately began the grind, together

with about a hundred others, of more physical inspections, signing papers, taking out insurance, getting dog tags, and, finally, of getting the clothing of a soldier.

He was assigned to the Special Training Unit, where he will study certain educational fundamentals while learning his drill and other details of a soldier's life. He will also assist Technical Sergeant Bryant Bass, Atlanta, who is physical and boxing instructor for the Reception Center.

Beau Jack was met at the induction station by Sgt. Bass as well as by Pfc. George T. Pace, Cleveland, who held the bantam title from 1938 to 1941. He has been at the Reception Center as a member of Service Battalion of the First Student Unit for two years and his first word of greeting to his fellow mittman now turned soldier, were, "Well, Beau, I'm being assigned to Camp Gordon at Augusta as physical instructor." And Beau replied, "Well, maybe after I've been in a couple of years I'll be replacing you in my home town area, but I hope to be overseas long before then."

Pvt. Walker came to Fort Benning three weeks ago for his physical examinations and at that time chose the Army over other branches of the service. He went on his 21-day leave and then reported back today for formal induction.

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# Profs Trip Wolves To Retain TIS Lead Rifles Defeat Raiders To Remain Full Game Behind League Leaders

By SGT. CHUCK VOORHIS

The battle for the first half championship of The Infantry School League may not be decided until the final games Sunday as the result of play last night at Fort Benning. The league-leading Academic Profs defeated the 1st Student Training Regiment Wolves 6 to 5 and the second place 3rd STR Rifles kept pace by downing the 4th Infantry Raiders 5 to 1. As a result, the Rifles still trail by one game. The Profs need one win to clinch a tie unless the Rifles drop a game in which event, one Prof win will mean the title.

Ewell Blackwell has won eight games and lost two up until Tuesday to be the nominal leader of the hurlers. But Lefty Wissman of the Profs has won four and lost none. He hasn't seen as much action as Blackwell and credit have had another win to his credit had he not been forced from a game with an injured ankle in the 8th frame when his team was tied with the Troopers, 1-1, and went on to win. Joe Dickinson got credit for that win which made his record 6 and 2 so far.

Cliff Carlson of the Wolves has five and one record while four game winners are Jim Prendergast of the Wolves with four and three and Ralph Keesee of the Troopers with an identical record. Lee Lodge of the Raiders is also unbeaten with two and none.

UPSETS MARK PLAY

Upsets marked the week's play and the 3d Infantry Cockades provided two of them. Dewey Wilkins, Cockade pitcher won his second game of the year when he beat the Wolves 4 to 2, fanning nine. Two days later, Herb Moore, Cockade manager pitched one of the finest games of his career when he fanned 15 Troopers and beat them 8 to 7. His streakout record was a new one for the league season.

And to make their performance all the more standout, the Cockades defeated the Raiders 5 to 3 Tuesday night for their third win in a row. Wilkins again was the winning hurler.

The Raiders entered the upset picture by turning back the Wolves, 7 to 6 behind some fine pitching by Lee Lodge. These two setbacks cost the Wolves their chance at the pennant. At least it left them in a position which gave them a no better hope than a tie.

The Rifles prolonged the league race by beating the Profs 5 to 2 behind effective pitching by Blackwell. The Profs played in this one with a revamped line-up and their six errors didn't help their cause.

THE RIFLES TOP DEPARTMENTS

The Rifles, as a team, have an edge in virtually all departments of league play except games won and lost. They're leading in hits, batting average, and runs scored. In third place are the Wolves who are batting .278, a drop of 11 points from the previous week. In third place are the Wolves whose 268 matches last week's mark. The Troopers showed a drop of four points to 354 and the Raiders came down three points to 248. The Cockades jumped their mark to 203, a gain of 12 points.

These averages are based on games played up to and including last Sunday.

The Rifles are tied with the Profs in total errors, each with 37. They lead the league in double plays with 10, in doubles

with 28, in triples with nine, and have tied the Profs in home runs with 12. In these same categories, the Profs have five double plays, 28 doubles, eight triples.

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### BASEBALL SCORES

INFASTRY SCHOOL BASEBALL LEAGUE  
Results of the week:  
June 2-3d Infantry 4, 1st STR 2.  
June 3-4th Infantry 1, 1st STR 2.  
June 4-3d Infantry 5, 4th Infantry 1.  
June 5-3d Infantry 8, 4th Infantry 3.  
June 6-3d Infantry 5, 4th Infantry 3.  
June 7-3d Infantry 5, 4th Infantry 3.

STANDING OF THE TEAMS	W	L	GP
Academic Profs	12	4	16
3d Infantry	10	6	16
4th Infantry	10	6	16
1st STR	10	6	16
2nd STR	10	6	16
3d STR	10	6	16
4th STR	10	6	16
5th STR	10	6	16
6th STR	10	6	16
7th STR	10	6	16
8th STR	10	6	16
9th STR	10	6	16
10th STR	10	6	16

SCHEDULE FOR WEEK  
Friday—Group Field, 3d STR vs 1st STR; 4th STR vs 2nd STR; 5th STR vs 6th STR; 6th STR vs 7th STR; 7th STR vs 8th STR; 8th STR vs 9th STR; 9th STR vs 10th STR.  
Saturday—Group Field, 1st STR vs 2nd STR; 2nd STR vs 3rd STR; 3rd STR vs 4th STR; 4th STR vs 5th STR; 5th STR vs 6th STR; 6th STR vs 7th STR; 7th STR vs 8th STR; 8th STR vs 9th STR; 9th STR vs 10th STR.  
Sunday—Group Field, 1st STR vs 2nd STR; 2nd STR vs 3rd STR; 3rd STR vs 4th STR; 4th STR vs 5th STR; 5th STR vs 6th STR; 6th STR vs 7th STR; 7th STR vs 8th STR; 8th STR vs 9th STR; 9th STR vs 10th STR.

### Pot. Shots

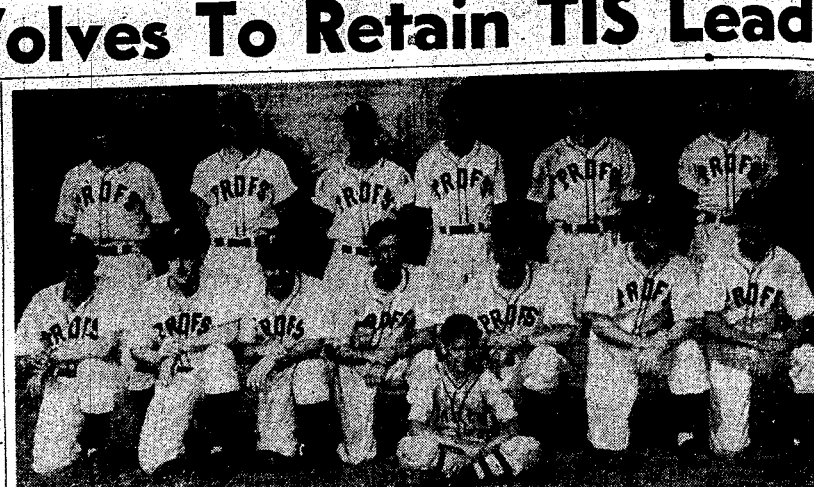
In the 3d Infantry, a soldier learned to knit and crochet when he was a kid back in the hills. Now he finds it a handy hobby especially as the Mrs. is expecting and the G. I. is knitting tiny garments.

Crew of the G. I. railroad had red faces Monday when a freight car became uncoupled and stopped squarely in the middle of Ingessors street near the post gym. That switch engine huffed and puffed making a reverse to pick up the car, while traffic waited.

Guess life in WAC barracks must be pretty much same as in soldier's barracks. WAC Willie bought a cation of cigarettes the other day and yesterday when she delved into her locker to get a package, she found that the sisters had been there first, leaving cash in exchange for a package here and a package there. Only difference between this and male barracks, of course, is the business of paying for what the girls took.

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THIS IS THE ACADEMIC REGIMENT'S ARRAY OF PROFESSORS who, starting the final week of play in The Infantry School League, held a game and a half lead over their nearest rivals, the 3d Student Training Regiment Rifles. The Profs needed to win one of their games this week while the Rifles were losing one in order to clinch the title. First row, left to right: Herb Bremer, Lee Harris, Jim Irsfield, Johnny Russo, Rudy Rundus, Benny Zientara and Ross Fanno. Back row: Joe Dickinson, Erwin Prasse, Tony Pirrello, Elmer Niebler, Newt Cox and Garland Lawing. The mascot is Clifford E. Brown, Jr., son of a master sergeant. Cliff has been the team's mascot for two seasons. He's eleven. (Official U. S. Army Photo—The Infantry School.)

## 1st STR Soldier Was Youngest PRO Baseball Umpire Before Induction

By PFC. ELMER W. EARL, 1ST STR

At the age of 22, Private First Class Morris Luxenberg of the 23rd Company, 1st Student Training Regiment—and Gowdy Field—holds the distinction of being the youngest full time baseball umpire in any pro league. He was, that is, before his induction into the Army in November, 1942.

"Very few ball players know more than 50 per cent of the rules," Luxenberg explained, "and most of the fans know only a dozen or so." This fact consoles an umpire in a heated argument during which players and fans join in losing verbal brickbats at him. "From the stands, a spectator is in no position to judge a play—plus the fact that he is unfamiliar with most of the rules and is usually partisan toward one team," he said.

"But most players and spectators are good sports," Luxenberg added thoughtfully, "and after the storm of protest on an adverse decision, they forget their differences of opinion."

How does an umpire feel when a dozen or more wild men menace him and the stands start to riot a close decision?

"The first thing an umpire has to do is to keep calm," he answered. "When you know you're right, it's easy. Besides, you realize they're just letting off steam. And you can usually count on half

the fans being for you and the other half against you." Five minutes later they will be on different sides most likely, depending on whether the umpire has ruled in favor of their team or against it.

BASEBALL QUIZ  
"I'd like to give baseball fans a chance to put themselves in the umpire's place," Luxenberg offered. "Call it a quiz, or a game or anything you like. But let me give you ten situations that might pop up in any ball game, and let the boys make the decisions the umpire would have to make."

Prior to that big day, Luxenberg had been a regular umpire for three years in both the Florida East Coast League and more recently in the Pony League in northern Pennsylvania and upper New York State. During that time he has worked more than 500 games, including a number of exhibition tilts.

When Luxenberg was transferred here from Camp Adair in

April, he offered his services to The Infantry School League. He is umpiring regularly at Gowdy Field.

Morris is the son of Mr. Max Luxenberg of 178 Hooper street, Brooklyn, N. Y. After graduation from Eastern District High School in Brooklyn, where he had lived all his life, young Luxenberg enrolled in the George Barr Umpire School at Orlando, Florida, carrying out a plan he had made when a youngster.

WANTED TO UMPIRE  
"Even as a kid," Luxenberg says, "I had an ambition in life—to be a big league umpire. While the gang on the corner lot argued about who was going to pitch and who had to play out in the dumps, I was completely satisfied to act as umpire, a job nobody else wanted."

Like many other umpires, Luxenberg has had little experience as a player. Except for a few games he played on one of his high school intra-mural teams, his participation in the game has always been as an umpire. Even as a spectator, his interest was rarely on the players.

"Instead," Luxenberg said, "I'd just sit and study every move the pitcher made. To me, that was

the most thrilling part of a ball game."

Although he read the baseball news regularly, Luxenberg has no favorite team among the big leagues.

"I've got to be impartial, you know," he explained. "I hope to be an umpire in the big leagues some day." But he does have a favorite umpire—Al Barlick, National league before he joined the armed forces.

"He's young, too—and he's got a long way and done a good job in a comparatively few years."

Luxenberg also has a favorite fan. His very attractive brunette wife can usually be found in the stands near the plate at the games he umpires. She gets pretty mad when the stands yell "Kill the umpire!"

FOUR BASIC RULES  
There are four basic rules, Luxenberg said, which a good umpire must observe. First, know the rules thoroughly; second, use sound judgment; third, observe every play from the correct angle; and fourth, hustle. While the official 1944 book numbers only 69 rules, each one is divided and subdivided to such an extent that they cover 22 pages of fine print.

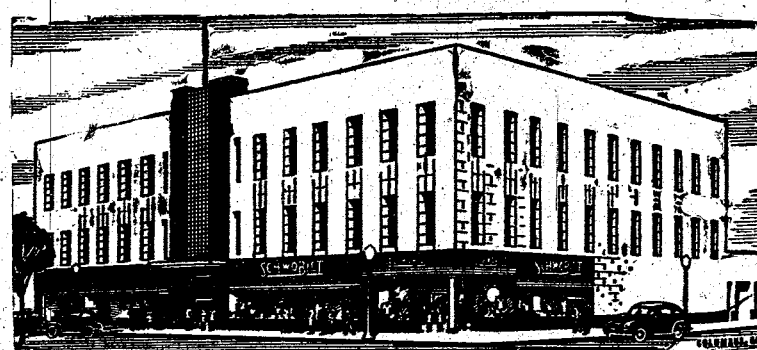
Here are his ten situations. What decision would you make for each one? Write down your answer, then check it with the official ruling at the end of the article.

1. Runner on first only. Pitcher takes a legal stretch, then throws to third (an unoccupied base). Is it a balk or not?

2. The bases are loaded. The pitcher takes a legal windup, but (Continued on Page 7)

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# 4th Svc Engineers Study Waste Disposal Program

## Visitors Watch Benning's Sanitary Fill Project Work

Post engineers and post engineer personnel from 27 Army installations in the Fourth Service Command at Fort Benning last week for a conference on waste disposal were able to see at first hand how Benning, said to doing one of the best disposal jobs in the Fourth Service Command, is handling the immense problem.

The visitors' arrival here was indeed timely because Fort Benning had just inaugurated its new centralized waste disposal area on the terrain which was once covered by Malone Lake, located behind the Officers' Club and the new WAC barracks.

Local post engineer officials announced that effective last week

incinerators formerly employed for the disposal of wastes in the Sand Hill and Harmony Church areas had been shut down, and all waste materials from the entire post with the exception of the Alabama area are being hauled to the Malone Lake site for disposal by means of the sanitary fill method.

All day long last Wednesday and Thursday the visiting army officers and their civilian assistants were able to mix theory with practice as G. I. trucks laden with waste matter arrived from all points of the post to dump refuse in the tremendous line of deep trenches cut into the earth to receive it. On Wednesday alone a total of 211 truck loads was dumped.

**WIDELY ACCLAIMED**

The new sanitary fill method is being received with widespread approval from all parts of the country. L. H. Merritt, chief of the Waste Disposal Unit, Utilities Section, Repair and Utilities branch of the Fourth Service Command, here to direct the conference, declared, "It is rapidly replacing incineration and open dumps in all sections of the nation. Columbus and Muscogee county, Georgia, will soon adopt

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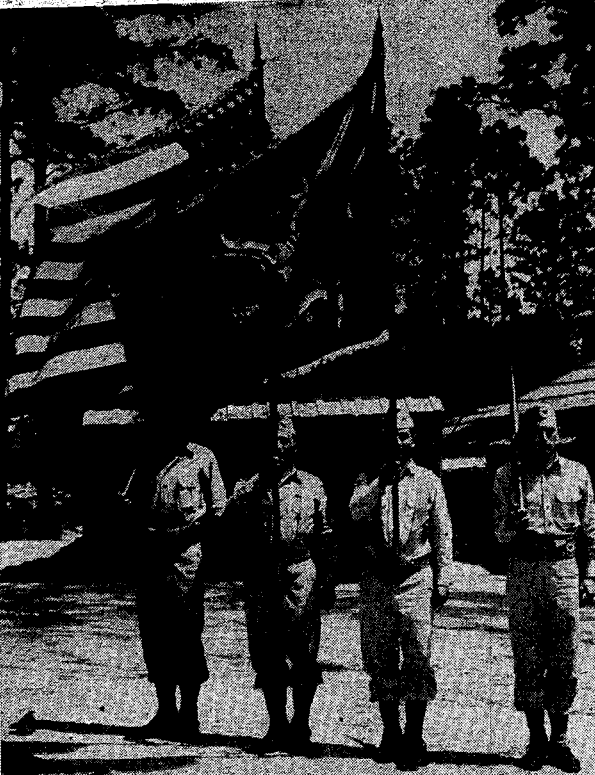
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**THE 5TH INFANTRY COLOR GUARD** proudly carries the Regiment's colors. From the shaft of the Regimental Colors hang 22 battle streamers representing engagements in which the 5th saw action. From left to right the Color Guard consists of Cpl. Walter Strzpek; 1st Sgt. Vito Calabrese, a veteran of World War I; Sgt. Moe Valdez, bearing the Colors; and Sgt. Harry T. Barnes. (U. S. Army Signal Corps Photo).

## For the Love of Mike

**BY SIDNEY KING**

Dale Evans has still another achievement which she mentioned to Jack Carson yesterday on their program, heard over WRBL Wednesdays at 9:30 EWT. Dale

stated that she once wrote a play on an old man.

"My word," exclaimed Carson, "how'd you ever get him into the typewriter?" . . . Arthur Treacher also appears regularly on this last show.

That was quite a program that the Third United States Infantry produced on the WRBL "Army Hour" last Sunday. The drama was written by Pvt. John D. Orr, editor of the Third's Regimental newspaper, "The Cockade." Cpl. Lawrence Futchik narrated. Music was provided by the Third's Quintet under the baton of Cpl. Many Walford. The final "good word" came from Colonel Paul N. Starlings, Regimental Commander. Incidentally, the WRBL "Army Hour," heard Sundays at 5 o'clock, EWT, is the original Army Hour. It has been aired for over 3 years.

Tom Brennenman's "Breakfast at Sardi's" is now open to Servicemen. In the past, when Tom has hit the airwaves, WDAK brings "Parade in Khaki" music at 6:15. At 7:00, Cpl. Meil Allan reports over WRBL (weekly sports talk). The Reception Center Chorus goes WRBL at 8:00 p. m.

**RECLAIMS AREAS**

The sanitary fill also reclaims areas such as the Malone Lake area for future use as drill grounds, training areas, parking lots and recreational centers, Mr. Merritt pointed out.

In watching the disposal of Fort Benning's waste materials, the visiting engineers were unanimous in declaring that the whole problem of waste disposal is an organizational and administrative one.

Tied in with waste disposal, it was pointed out, is the problem of the salvaging of materials which can be repaired and put to further use.

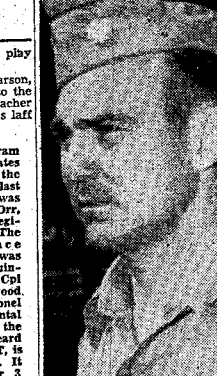
The engineers present for the conference were on the spot to watch conference leaders pull from the waste many articles which should have been segregated from unreclaimable materials at the source from which it came.

The waste disposal conference leaders took from the dump-piles many articles such as a practically new rope halter, a usable piece of hemp rope, two inches thick, baseball bats, woolen clothing, etc., all of which should have been salvaged before the trucks were loaded.

**DISAPPEARING ACT**

"It is quite obvious that in a project of this scope it is quite impossible because of the magnitude of the problem to sort through this stuff to remove salvageable materials," Merritt told the conferees. "Our problem here is to pull a disappearing act once and for all on this waste. No man can say how many thousands of dollars worth of valuable and usable material will be buried under two feet of sod together with the waste you see piled into these trenches."

And the Service Command engineer wasn't referring to several hundreds of dollars of Confederate money which came out in the wash with the halter, the hemp, the funnel, the clothing and foot after foot of serviceable leather belting.



**LT. COL. ALTON E. TAYLOR**, (above) has just been named executive officer of the Second Parachute Training Regiment in Hollywood. He has been with the Paratroopers since 1940 when he became a member of the original 501st Parachute Battalion. (U. S. Army Signal Corps Photo).

Lebanon, Pa. AND there's still a third slayer named Lester. Mr. Hoffa expected her to be the last one. However a fourth dotter was born to the Hoffas, so Papa punctuated the deal. He called her "Period." . . . Portland Hoffa is the wife of Fred Allen. Their "Star Thitter" program is heard Sundays at 9:30. Since it is a CBS show, it is carried by WRBL.

A resident of "Allen's Alley" reported during a recent "Star Thitter" program that her husband threw Vitalls bottles out in their Victory garden last night and every head of lettuce had hair on it!

**At the Theatres This Week**

**BRADLEY**  
FRIDAY-SATURDAY  
Harriet Hilliard - Ozzie Nelson  
"HI GOOD LOOKIN'"  
SUNDAY-MONDAY  
Dennis Morgan - Irene Manning  
"THE DESERT SONG"  
TUESDAY-THURSDAY  
Cory Grant - John Garfield  
"DESTINATION TOKYO"

**ROYAL**  
FRIDAY-SATURDAY  
WARNER BAXTER  
"Crime Dr. S. Strongest Case"  
ON STAGE  
"Spirit of Youth Revue"  
MIDNITE SHOW SAT. NINE  
SUNDAY-MONDAY  
"WOMEN IN BONDAGE"  
The Story of Hitler's Women  
TUESDAY-WEDNESDAY  
OLIVIA DE HAVILLAND  
"PRINCESS O'ROURKE"  
THURSDAY  
ALICE FAYE  
"IN OLD CHICAGO"

**RIALTO**  
FRIDAY  
FRANK SINATRA  
"HIGHER AND HIGHER"  
SATURDAY  
CHARLES STARRETT  
"Hail to the Rangers"  
MIDNITE SHOW SAT. NINE  
SUNDAY-MONDAY  
GINGER ROGERS  
"Lady in the Dark"  
TUESDAY-WEDNESDAY  
IDA LUPINO  
"IN OUR TIME"  
THURSDAY-FRIDAY  
"BU BARRY WAS A LADY"

**SPRINGER**  
FRIDAY  
LON CHANEY  
"CALLING DR. DEATH"  
SATURDAY  
BOB STEELE  
"WESTERN JUSTICE"  
SUNDAY-MONDAY  
BOB HOPE  
"LET'S FACE IT"  
TUESDAY-WEDNESDAY  
"LASSIE COME HOME"  
THURSDAY-FRIDAY  
PATRICIA MORISON  
"HITLER'S MADMAN"

## 4th Infantry Duo Receives Soldiers' Medal

Two members of the 4th Infantry Regiment of The Infantry School troops were decorated with the Soldier's Medal for risking their lives to save the lives of their comrades during a recent rehearsal of an Infantry School problem.

Those decorated were Lt. Kenneth J. A. Cleary, recently commissioned, and S-Sgt. Claire M. Peterson, both members of Company L. The awards were presented by Brig. Gen. Henry P. Perrine, commanding general of the School Troops Brigade. Maj. Gen. Charles H. Bonesteel, commander of The Infantry School, was also present and congratulated the recipients.

Lieutenant Cleary and Sergeant Peterson are platoon leader and squad leader, respectively, of the 2nd Platoon of Company L, which was to assault a concrete pillbox on Problem 235, a task of a fortified position.

Lieutenant Cleary was located in a position to coordinate the assault following the simultaneous detonation of the two Bangalore torpedoes which would blow gaps in the enemy barbed wire. Sergeant Peterson was in command of one of the demolition squads. There were approximately 25 men within effective range of these charges.

**BANGALORE FAILS**

The signal was given and the lighters were started. The charge on the left failed to explode. In the excitement of the moment the men came out of their shell and started through the gap blown in the wire, thus exposing themselves to grave danger and death if the other Bangalore were to explode.

Seeing this, Lieutenant Cleary, who was about 25 yards from the unexploded Bangalore, jumped out of the shell and ran toward the men commanding them to take cover and stay down.

**EXPOSES SELF TO PERIL**

Evidently realizing the danger to these men and finding that his voice would not carry above the din of rifle and other gun fire, he voluntarily exposed himself while he raced across the front of his men and forced them to get down until either the delayed fuse of the Bangalore had acted. He then saw another group of men approaching from the east toward the charge and succeeded in getting them under cover where they dove into another shell hole, and awaited the detonation.

Staff Sergeant Peterson, who was within 10 yards of the unexploded Bangalore, also realized the situation and seeing Lieutenant Cleary go to the right, ran to the left and was able to warn those flanking before he again took cover.

Both of these men knew that the second fuse attached to the Bangalore would explode at any moment with probable fatal consequences to themselves. However, they had willingly exposed themselves to see that the men were out of danger before they took cover.

Smith Week at the Red Cross Blood Banks brought out 25,000 volunteers who responded to Kate Smith's appeal. This was figured to be about one in every eight Smiths in the country. The songstress started the drive with her fifth pint of blood. Top volunteer probably was 91-year-old Frank M. Smith of Chicago who said: "I knew Lincoln when I was a boy. I did my part for the war and would be only too happy to be allowed to do it again."

Yarni of the week medal goes to Esterlita and Ed Sullivan who, in his Monday program told of a Navy car carrying a newlywed officer and his bride. Sign on the vehicle read: "Careless Talk Causes This."

## That Little Choo-Choo Stops for No Man!!!

Which gives way first, the irresistible force or the immovable body?

Officers attending The Infantry School's special basic course in the 8th Company, 1st Student Training Regiment, are prepared to answer the age-old question after they witnessed an irresistible force—the Upatoi and Chattahoochee narrow-gauge flier—come to grips with an immovable object—a classroom unflinchingly in its devotion to duty.

The test case took place at a rail crossing along 1st Division road. Returning to the company area the class posted an overzealous traffic guard who thought he had to stop everything that came along, even Benning's baby choochoo. A train approached the crossing. The valiant guard

took up a rigid parade-rest position, his feet planted on either side of the narrow track.

"Halt!" his upright pain commanded.

"Whoosh...whoosh..." replied the little locomotive, whistling menacingly.

The 8th Company cheered their champion. The whistle screamed defiance. The tiny train rushed on. The gallant guard stepped out of the way just in time to let the train clatter through the crossing.

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